THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENTS, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various locations in the country including Kanyakumari District are under consideration for setting up of a Zirconium plant.

Industrial production index

£994. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that 1970 index of industrial production does not include adequately the figures of industries like petro;chemicals, electronics etc. and is thus faulty; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to rectify the lacunae?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The index of industrial production has since been revised to base 1980-81 for which weighting diagram has been prepared giving adequate coverage to petrochemicals and electronics industry groups. Statements, I and II furnish lists of items covered under the petrochemicals group and the electronics group, in the revised and old series.

Statement - I

List of Petro-chemical items for the old (base 1970) and revised (base 1980-81) series with actual weight in general index

Sl. No.	Name of item	Base 1970 (old series)	Base 1980-81 (revised series)
1	D.M.T.	..	0.7945
2	Linear alkyl benzene	..	0.5734
3	Thylene	..	0.3361
4	Etylene	..	0.3184
5	Ethylene glycol	..	0.3018
6	Styrene monomer	..	0.2404
7	Ethylene oxide	..	0.2336
8	Benzene	0.2270	0.9703
9	Butyle alochol	..	0.1290
10	Polyethylene L.D.	0.2490	3.0955
11	Polyethylene H.D.	0.1940	0.7351
12	P.V.C. Resins	1.2100	0.8795
13	Polypropylene	..	0.4816
14	P.F. moulding powder	..	0.1711
15	U.F. moulding powder	0.4000	0.0950

£Previously unstarred Question 853, transferred from the 2nd March, 1987.

Sl. No.	Name of item	Base 1970 (old series)	Base 1980-81 (revised series)
16	Nylon filament yarn	4.3950	3.3940
17	Nylon tyre yarn	..	1.4720
18	Acrylic fibre	..	1.0771
19	Polyster filament yarn	..	1.6067
20	Caprolactum	..	0.7466
21	Phthalic anhydride	0.2780	0.6625
22	Synthetic rubber	0.9650	0.5922
23	Polyster fibre	1.4040	1.8854
24	Polysterene moulding powder	0.3400	..
		9.6620	20.7918

Statement-II

List of electronic items for the old base 1970 *and revised* (*base* 1980-81) *series with actual weight in general index*

Sl. No.	Name of item	Base 1970 (old series)	Banse 1980-81 (revised series)
1	Tape recorder	..	0.2402
2	Radio Receiver	9.6830	0.5349
3	T.V. Receiver	..	0.7090
4	T.V. Picture tube	..	0.1408
5	Teleprinter	..	0.3611
6	Telephone Exchange lines PABX/EPAX	..	0.2626
7	Telephone Instruments	..	3.4608
8	Transister Diodes	..	1.2765
9	I.C.'s of various sorts	..	0.1892
10	Power semi-conductor	..	0.4087
11	X-ray Unit/Equipment	..	0.2040
12	Computer System and its Peripherals	..	3.5125
13	Plastic film capacitor	..	0.7425
14	Electrolytic Capacitor	..	0.2585
		9.6830	12.3013